BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MINUTES

Regular Meeting: Tuesday: May 26, 2015

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Adjustment of the City of Fargo, North Dakota, was held in the City Commission Room at City Hall at 9:00 o'clock a.m., Tuesday, May 26, 2015.

The Members present or absent were as follows:

Present: Russell Ford-Dunker, Dominic Fischer, Mark Lundberg, Deb Wendel-Daub

Also present: Nicole Crutchfield

Absent: Michael Love

Vice Chair Wendel-Daub called the meeting to order.

Vice Chair Wendel-Daub noted with 4 of the 5 Board Members present and the requirement of 4 affirmative votes for a motion to pass, the applicant has the option to reschedule. Applicant Jon Jankowski stated he would like the meeting to continue.

Item 1: Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting of April 28, 2015

Member Fischer moved the minutes of the April 28, 2015 Board of Adjustment meeting be approved. Second by Member Ford-Dunker. All Members present voted aye and the motion was declared carried.

Item 2: Old Business

No old business was discussed.

Item 3: New Business

a) Variance Request – 1534 14th Street South: Request for a variance of Section 20-0403 of the Land Development Code. The requested variance is to allow construction of an addition onto an existing detached garage that would exceed the maximum allowable building coverage of an accessory structure within the SR-2, Single-Dwelling Residential zoning district.

Planner Aaron Nelson presented the staff report for the requested variance, and reviewed the criteria used during staff's analysis of the proposal. Mr. Nelson stated staff is recommending denial as review criteria a and c have not been met.

Kurt Jankowski, father of applicant Jon Jankowski, spoke on behalf of the proposal.

Member Fischer shared his concern that the current Land Development Code does not clearly address how this type of request, and requested this be added to the items being reviewed by the Land Development Code Task Force.

Member Fischer moved to approve the requested variance at 1534 14th Street South to allow a detached garage to exceed the maximum accessory building coverage, on the basis that the review criteria have been met. Second by Member Lundberg. Upon call of the roll Members Fischer, Lundberg, Ford-Dunker, and Wendel-Daub voted aye and the motion was declared carried.

Item 4: Other Business

No other business was discussed.

Item 5: Adjournment:

Member Fischer moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:22 a.m. Second by Member Lundberg. All Members present voted aye and the motion was declared carried.